

## Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) Clean Air Act Settlement Grant Program Question & Answers

April 7, 2017

**Q: The application manual states “an organization may submit multiple applications... however, only one application for each topic listed above may be submitted by a single organization.” Does this apply to subcontractors as well?**

A: No, it does not apply to subcontractors.

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**Q: The application manual states that a topic is “projects to conserve energy in new and existing buildings and facilities.” Does this include residential buildings and single family homes?**

A: Projects targeting residential buildings and single family homes are not excluded for eligible applicants (see 2. Eligible Applicants).

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**Q: On the Excel file for the TVA Detailed Budget Workbook on Tab a. Personnel – Columns C (% of Time) and E (% of Year) – I’m not sure of the distinction. I’m assuming a person would work (say) 5% of their time over 100% of the requested budget period (a year).**

A: Yes that is correct.

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**Q: On the Excel file for the TVA Detailed Budget Workbook on Tab b. Fringe – The total benefits includes a “fringe” component related to salary (22.63%) and a Health Insurance component related to the type of plan elected by the employee. This means that the total benefits are not necessarily a fixed percentage applying to all personnel. Is it OK to make up the fringe benefit rate appearing in cell D5 so the correct amount is calculated and displayed in cell D6?**

A: Yes that is correct. Additional explanation/comments will need to be included in the workbook to justify the rate being used.

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**Q: Are projects limited to the TVA service area?**

A: No

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**Q: Would electric cooperative utilities be eligible to apply?**

A: Eligible applicants include non-profit organizations. If the cooperative can show non-profit status, they would be eligible.

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**Q: Can you tell me the timeline for the grant? When does the project have to be completed?**

A: Grant applications are due in the Department for Energy Development and Independence (DEDI) office not later than 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time on May 15, 2017. Applications will not be accepted after that date and time. An exception will be that mailed applications received after May 15, 2017, will be accepted if they were postmarked prior to May 15, 2017. The Cabinet intends, but is not required, to award the first contracts by July 1, 2017. The application manual does not put an end date for project completion.